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## LETTERS

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# Look how far we've come

Zealanders celebrate their pride in the centennial edition of *The Utopian Reader*. Here's to another hundred years!

**Q: What are you most proud of about being a Zealander?**

**A: Intellect, innovation, and industry.**

Let's face it: Zealand is on top of the world! We are the kings and queens of civilized society, with a civilization centuries ahead of its time and technological advancement that puts all others to shame. Our nation is like no other. What a foreigner wouldn't give to be a part of it.

*Axon Falcnor, Gisborne*

**A: A culture of enlightened thinkers.**

We Zealanders possess a culture that is so marvellously progressive. Day in and day out, we are constantly forging ahead, looking for ways to redefine our approaches that it's no wonder why all the other *Homo sapiens* are behind.

Essentially, we are avant-garde at its finest. We don't shy away from revolution, and that truly is the mark of a great species. We are *Homo sapiens superior*, and we're sure to live on in the hearts of men as the greatest enlightened civilization that has ever existed upon the face of the Earth.

*Pax Romana, Rotorua*

**A: Powers of projection.**

Zealand is a force to be reckoned with. We are a nation acting as one mind within one body. We're perfectly coordinated, a team unit of telepaths capable of collaboration on a scale like never before. Where may that not take us someday? Is there any problem in the world that we would not be able to solve?

Zealand is on the verge of becoming a world superpower. There is virtually nothing beyond our reach. The entire world is at the mercy of our minds, ripe for the picking. Let's go.

*Maelstrom Wharton, Marlborough*



**A Hundred Years Strong**

Clarissa Sastrawidjaya  
Editor-in-Chief

It is the struggle of all beings to survive. Survival does not entail mere subsistence, but dominance and prosperity as well. These things are a given for the *Homo sapiens*. Humankind has reigned supreme for as long as history itself can remember. But what is the secret to our success? One word: Mindpower. It is with the power of our minds that we have been able to enslave Earth's beasts; the way we have been able to best their brawn. No animal is our intellectual equal. One must then beg the question, are all humans intellectual equals?

No! We, the proud citizens of Zealand, must beg to differ. If humankind's crowning glory is its mindpower then we are the jewel in that crown. Superior intellect gives us our colour; ingenuity our clarity. Our true superpower, however, is our telepathy. Telepathy is the carat heavyweight that separates us from all other *Homo sapiens* and proclaims us the superior variant. For ours *is* the superior variant, and we have only just begun. We are able to achieve collaboration on a scale never seen before. Without question, there is no problem that we cannot solve.

That being said, Zealanders are virtually invincible. Even the Old People were not able to operate on a level as advanced as ours. They were little more than barbarians; ingenious halflings who had no means of consensus. The savages were able to function constructively in small units, but only destructively in large ones. Possessing no sense of self-restraint, they wreaked havoc upon the world and refused to face the repercussions of their depravity. There is an Old World saying that goes like this: "Poor is the pupil who does not surpass his master." Fear not, fellow citizens, for if that is so, then we are wealthy beyond compare!

My dear friends, for a hundred years we have dreamt of a world remade, and we have *made* it. Let us rejoice now, for we are the lords and ladies of life! Don your party wear and your jewelled crowns encrusted with the gems of achievement! Gone are the days of squalor and misery; we have moved up, up, up! Our life is a party, and though parties were never meant to last, we must rejoice while we can.

There will come a day when we ourselves shall be superseded and must make way for something greater. But for now, we must relish our reign. Cheers to this utopia of a hundred years in the making; a hundred years strong! Here's to a hundred more!

## Welcome to Zealand, Waknuk Telepathies!

Calvin Lin  
News Reporter

Two days ago, our Information center detected a strong source of telepathic signal coming from northeast of the city, roughly sixteen-thousand km away. Our most highly skilled communicator, Lt. Maria Santana, intercepted the signal and attempted to establish a communication. With much difficulty, she was able to detect a small group of telepathic people pursued by a larger group with hostility. With this knowledge, Fleet Echo has been sent out to investigate this matter.

Upon investigation, Fleet Echo discovered 3 people escaping from a group of people pursuing them for unclear reasons. The fleet took safety precautions to temporarily restrict movements of both groups. To their dismay, the pursuing group was too vulnerable against the paralysation and died the instance they touched the web.

The group of telepaths was soon picked up by our fleet and has now returned. According to them, they came from a distant society named the Waknuk located at Labrador, and they were chased because of their ability to telepathically communicate with others. To their society, this ability was considered dangerous, and the people who possessed it were “deviants” that aren’t the “norms”.

The Waknuk society, as David Storm, one of the three who escaped, described in an exclusive interview, is very religious and upright. They believed in sameness, and that the image of a person is absolute. They believed that a man “should have one body, one head, two arms and two legs: that each arm should be jointed in two places and end in one hand: that each hand should have four fingers and one thumb: that each finger should bear a flat finger-nail”. Then he described woman’s image to be: “In the same image, but with these differences, according to her nature: her voice should be of a higher pitch than a man's: she should grow no beard: she should have two breasts...” and other features, excluding being able to telepathically communicate to each other.

Should there be a person that doesn’t fit the above description, the Waknuk society would consider that person as a Mutant, a devil who has failed to imitate the exact form of humans. They would severely punish the mutant, and would execute that person to ask for their God’s forgiveness. This practice is also used on livestock, crops and anything that looks “deviated to them”. David once casually asked for a third hand when trying to bandage his wounds. His father, who was the religious leader of the society, heard this, and scolded David severely due to him being the religious leader of the Waknuk society. Later when he tried to conceal one of his mutated friends, he was whipped and scolded by his father, which in this case is child abuse.

Unlike the other Waknuk “fossils”, David and only a few people have the same ability as almost every citizen in Zealand has. However, this ability was also considered as a mutation, and they were thus forced to flee. David’s sister, Petra, was the one who sent out the distress signals. Among the group, she seems to be more talented and have more potential to develop in her skills. 2 other friends, named Michael and Rachel were forced to stay in the Waknuk society due to insufficient space on Fleet Echo. Currently the three newcomers are resting in temporary compounds. They will soon be assigned new places to live in, and hopefully we would be able to pick up their friends and bring them here, so that we could all be part of a big family.

Jefferson Airplane’s Disgusting Song

Santiago Campillo  
Entertainment Reporter

Jefferson Airplane, a rock band from Waknuk played their new song, “Crown of Creation” in their hometown last Saturday and left their fans a terrible message. This song was forged by the devil. We can say with confidence that this song is a heresy. “Crown of Creation” promotes deviations. It has been said that the players themselves have seven fingers on their left hand. They should be considered blasphemies. These so called artists go against everything that we as a society stand for. They are a grave danger that threatened our way of life. Jefferson Airplane and their rebellious messages belong in the Fringes. What are they trying to achieve with lyrics like: “In loyalty to our kind we cannot tolerate their obstruction?” Are they trying to start an uprising? God sent the Tribulation to keep us from rebelling. This is a piece of degenerate art that damages our society. We simply cannot let this go any further. Jefferson Airplane is a spit in God’s face and they deserve to be send where they belong, the Fringes!



A Traveling Exhibition in Waknuk

Santiago Campillo  
Entertainment Reporter



If you are in Waknuk next Sunday, don’t miss the chance to see the traveling exhibition that will be presented along the river bank. A place for pious people, Waknuk is also a sanctuary for entertainment in the outdoors. You may have thought that there were not artists in port of Lark, but you will be surprised when you see some of the works in this exhibition. Vanessa Lock told what she saw. “All that is presented here is so beautiful. It is like looking right at the heart of a marvelous culture. Representations of the Old People show us what brought Tribulation, and there is art built with relics from that ancient world. I would have loved to see all of that with my own eyes, but then maybe I wouldn’t be here now. This exhibition brings he past to us. I am sure it will make us more respectful and God-fearing.”

An old resident called Mike Lev spoke about the value of this kind of initiatives: “It makes the young aware of the things we have, thanks to the strength of our values. Tribulation changed everything, and it is important to be reminded of that: normality will keep us safe!”

## Raising the Dead?

Simon Li  
Science Reporter

Scientists are currently studying the ability to restore dead and living human beings through cryonics.

According to scientists, there are 3 factors that have proved a real possibility of revival through cryonics:

1. Non-human beings such as insects, human tissue (brain tissue, embryos that grew into healthy children, and a few mammalian organs) As of now, more organs and tissues are being cryopreserved for experimenting and testing.
2. Nanotechnology and molecular biology has advanced to a high point where we can now repair damage due to aging, disease, and even cryonic suspension.
3. Our incredible advancements in technology such as, accurate 3D biological printers or stem cell tissue regeneration technologies, have now influenced a large number of scientists to believe in the possibility of cryonics.

Scientists have said that thousands of people “clinically die”, without a heartbeat, all the time in hospitals, yet they are still able to regain that heartbeat. Cardiopulmonary resuscitation, or more commonly know as CPR, has now been practiced for over 11,000 now and commonly restores people to life.

Through cryopreservation, keeping the brain intact with its vital information and function would be more than enough to restore someone as cloning technology is becoming more advanced.

As we get further and more advanced in revival related research and technologies, scientists and experts are hoping to learn more about the Old People and their past technologies.

## Superhumans

Simon Li  
Science Reporter

The ability to lift hundreds of pounds of weight, jump incredibly high, and invulnerability to gunfire has been made possible. An engineer by the name of Daniel Brent spent a large majority of his life researching, developing and creating a military style exoskeleton that he calls the SOX

Brent’s invention has took a huge leap for military technology and power. The ability to lift heavy objects and run thousands of meters tirelessly and quickly has been a huge dream for soldiers. Now that this has become possible, exploration into deeper places has become more efficient and reliable.

### How does it work?

Brent explains the SOX quite simply by breaking it into steps:

1. When your muscles contract, there are sensors that will detect these contractions
2. Then uses this to operate a series of valves (causing hydraulic fluid to the joints)
3. Then the mechanical joints move cylinders with cables attached to it to simulate the muscles

Previous models and prototypes had flaws in them such as the fact that they were heavy. With the SOX, it’s incredibly light at 25 lbs compared to 55 lbs in others. Not only that, but they are attached with sensors and Global Positioning System (GPS) receivers. These sensors can detect your heart and breathing rates in order to keep the user in control and aware. The GPS systems will help allow users to navigate through terrain and help get to destinations better.

Currently, more and more SOX models are being built and trained for full and proper usage in battle. Soldiers are being required to learn and understand the mechanisms of the exoskeleton as a large part of their training.

Coming with all this advancement and power is the question of safety and amount of danger. In the wrong hands, the SOX could be a horrific and dangerous experience due to its potential. Government leaders have decided against releasing this model to the public and is said to only be used by official army soldiers.

Today’s Word Search:

THE WAKNUK LIFE

Brought to you by game creator Isabella Harris

ANNE	PETRASTROM
AUNTHARRIET	RACHEL
BRENT	ROSALIND
DAVIDSTROM	SALLY
EMILYSTROM	ZEALANDLADY
INSPECTOR	SOPHIEWENDER
JOSEPHSTROM	SPIDERMAN
KATHERINE	UNCLEAXEL
MARK	WALTER
MICHAEL	

A Single Dose of Horoscope

Polina Marmer  
Horoscope Writer

**Aquarius:** Cool heads will be needed today, Aquarius, as tempers may flare at work because of frustration with ongoing problems. You might need to take the lead in keeping everyone calm by facilitating clear and open communication. It will be important to keep emotions in check or words will fly that people may regret. This is a temporary solution. Everyone should be back on an even keel as soon as issues get properly aired.

**Sagittarius:** You’ll want to respond to your creative juices, which will be flowing freely today, Sagittarius. Don’t suppress the urge to sing, compose, paint, or write. You’ll be in the full flower of creativity, so make the most of it. You’ll be able to take care of your daily obligations and still make room for your creative expression. Listen to the messages you receive in your heart and let them burst forth.

**Libra:** You might be feeling a little tense because you and your partner are grappling with some thorny financial issues right now, Libra. You could be frustrated because you need to postpone some purchases or investments until the cash starts flowing freely again. The good news is that this is a fine time to work out such a conflict to a satisfactory resolution. Both of you will need to be open minded and look at all sides as you make your decisions.

**Aries:** You might find yourself wrestling some ongoing, unresolved issues that could interfere with your ability to work properly. Be mindful that you’re a bit brittle today, Aries. The last thing that you want is a major battle with those around you, so do your best to keep a cool head. Don’t let uncontrolled emotions rule this day.

**Cancer:** You could be startled to find that your artistic talents, although dormant for a while, are called into service today. A particular undertaking of those around you could benefit from your gift in this area. Don’t panic, Cancer, you won’t be expected to do this alone. Others will pitch in to help. One thing to be careful of today is not let your emotions run away with you. It could spoil everything.

**Virgo:** Things could be up and down for you today, Virgo. You might experience some confusion as a result of communication snafus that affect financial issues you’re trying to solve. Persevere and you’ll succeed. Don’t be surprised if you’re recruited to join a project that is completely new to you. You may be apprehensive at first, but you’ll do just fine. Go ahead and say yes.

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**Pisces:** If you find yourself second-guessing plans you made earlier, perhaps for a plane trip, try to look objectively at your concerns. You don’t have to cancel everything if you have money worries. Your fears will probably turn out to be unfounded. This could be a good time to look into learning more. Evaluate travel plans with an analytical eye.

**Capricorn:** Tugs on the home front could be pulling you away from attending an event with friends that you’ve been looking forward to for some time. Try to be reasonable and sort put the needs of those at home with kindness in your heart. You might be able to address those issues and still have time to be with your friends later. Just remember to keep your priorities straight, Capricorn.

**Scorpio:** This will be an exciting day for you intellectually, Scorpio. A number of intriguing concepts will catch your fancy, and you’ll be hungry to learn more about them right away. Your research could take you to a library; the topics might relate to social or political issues. As irresistible as these new ideas are, don’t forget to tend to the business of everyday life.

**Taurus:** There is a possibility that you’ll fall into a bit of a regression today as old feelings of anxiety or inadequacy surface. Although you’ve reached a good place in terms of self-confidence, some old childhood fears could resurface. The old emotions that bubble up could impede your interactions with your friends today, so be mindful of what lies under the surface of you, Taurus.

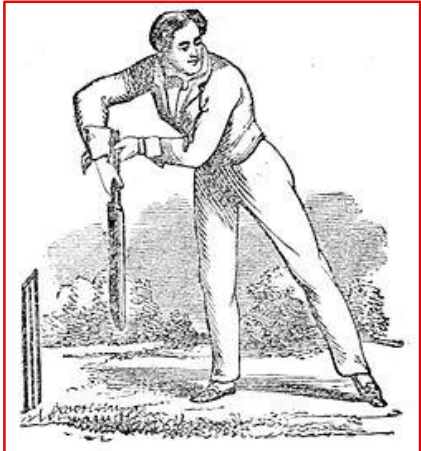
**Gemini:** Okay, up and at’em, Gemini! You might feel like you’re walking through sand today, but you really need to shake your body and get the blood flowing. If you don’t get up and do something, you’ll be a slug all day. You need to clear your head and cast off that bloated feeling. Most importantly, you want to get a good start to the day so you can accomplish everything that awaits you.

**Leo:** This could be a tough day for you emotionally. It might surprise you to find that some very old, deep-seated feelings get churned up in the course of investigating a subject of keen interest to you. It might be difficult to process these feelings. Don’t try to intellectualize them too much, Leo. At the same time, be wary of situations that could trigger an emotional cyclone. Some words can be brutally painful. Try to avoid this at all costs.



This Weekend in Cricket

Calum Nieass  
Sports Reporter

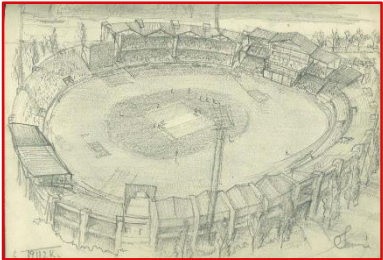


The Waknuk Warriors lost by 6 innings to the Greenland Gassers in an unfortunate cricket match. This means they dropped 2 points in the league table, they are now in 5th place just 3 points behind the Kirkland krakens.

The warriors played without star David Gully who has a batting average of 58 this season because of an injured wrist, Harry Talic was also missing from the Gassers. Frederic Bastian of the Yellow Head Lizards has had the highest batting average this season with an incredible 60.

The Crescent Head Stingrays become closer to relegation after losing there 10th match in a row. Meanwhile the Fringes Freaks pull 2 points ahead at the top of the table follow by the Waknuk Warriors.

“We are hopefully going to take home the title, and winning this match was very important seeing it gave us a two point lead at the top of the table.” Freaks Coach Kyle Moore said in a post-match interview.



“They are missing their best player, we can use that to our advantage” said Frank Rooney of the Greenland Gassers.

A Double Dose of Horoscope, Served With a Side of Comics

Karen Chen  
Horoscope Writer & Comics Artist

Aries (March 21-April 19)

It is not an ideal day to have important discussions with your family or friends. Possible conflict might happen. However, if you have to do so – the afternoon’s results would be much better than the morning’s!

Taurus (April 20 – May 20)

Unexpected good news from a friend or a group might surprise you today. This is a good day to get out and have fun with friends. Take advantage of the lighthearted!

Gemini (May 21 – June 20)

Enjoy your day by enjoying your success! Don’t think about what you are going to do next; take this day to relax with your friends and enjoy the beautiful weather with your friends or family!

Cancer (June 21 – July 22)

Don’t let small things bother you today; at the end of the day you will feel much more accomplished! So cheer up and talk to your friends to find solutions to your problems!

Leo: July 21 – August 20

Today will be the day that you will shine brightly! You will get to become a superstar among your peers, so don’t waste this opportunity to prove yourself! Be brave to show your talents to a certain someone!

Virgo: August 21 – September 20

Surprise information, new faces and unpredictable events are floating everywhere, Virgo. After the Moon Alert, all you can do is coast. Don’t shop. Don’t initiate. Don’t agree to anything important.

Libra: September 21 – October 20

Keep it simple! Don’t go over too many details, good enough is good enough. Don’t let one little thing bother the rest of your joyful and energetic day!

Scorpio: October 21 – November 20

You have definitely received a lot of attention these days, but watch out! There may be a “fossil” lying around somewhere to throw you off from your beautiful day!

Sagittarius: November 21 – December 20

Today the moon is in your sign, Gemini! Spend your day with a positive attitude. It will be a creative, relaxed and fun-loving day for you.

Capricorn: December 21 – January 20

Staying touch with your love partner could be tough today, Capricorn. Don’t jump on any unwarranted conclusion about possible problems in the relationship. What’s causing silence is probably beyond your control.

Aquarius: January 21 – February 20

Having a day planned out ahead of you will definitely help get you more free time! Plan your time well, and you will find time to continue doing what you like best!

Pisces: February 21 – March 20

Have you been harboring a secret desire for someone you believe thinks of you only as a friend? Don't be surprised if you learn differently today. This is a day when hidden passions may suddenly be revealed!





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Mohammed Al-Ethawy  
Travel Writer

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Cultivate Your Talent

Here in Zealand, we believe in progress. So not only is telepathy accepted but it is also encouraged and we see it as a gift that we use greatly here in Zealand. Our land is full of deviants. We are much more powerful than those people of Waknuk. You are going to feel the telepathic energy from our people as you approach the city. The stubbornness of the people in Waknuk will get them nowhere. Change is key. Our progress will lead to our survival longer than the others.

Advanced Technology

You might have dreamed of this wonderful world as a child. Our land not being affected by tribulation gave us time to improve our city. You will never want to go back to the Fringes after you come here. Our telepathic communication is the most advanced out of all deviants.

Land of Deviants

The deviants of Zealand are by far perfect. Better than all others. Large eyes, flawless looking, wide mouths. Being telepathic is superior, it’s time to stop hiding and come to Zealand.

Superior Than All

We have no little opinion of ourselves. There is no doubt that Zealanders are better than ingenious half-humans in every way possible. At their best they could maybe be near-sublime animals but no more than that. Telepathy brings benefits to our species, without it our communication would be restricted. We can secretly plan and coordinate and they will stand no chance against us.

Super Telepaths

There are telepaths amongst us that have super telepathic skills and can communicate with other telepaths even farther away. These people can greatly benefit our society in finding other telepathic cities like ours. If you are one of those people or know of one, we provide free travel for you to get to Zealand. We’re actively looking for these people and we think they can help us expand our society even more. Our newest super telepath is Petra who recently got rescued from across the sea.

The Choice Is Yours

We doubt that it’s a hard decision for you to make. After all you will not have to live in fear and you will improve your skills. Remember deviation is not ugly or evil. It is an advantage.

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